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What is a "Bargain?"

Webster says in his dictionary that "a bargain is a gainful and satisfactory transaction, profitable alike to both buyer and seller."

Then every sale I make of Blanke's Roasted Coffee must be a bargain. The buyer, you see, is satisfied every time and gains in health by drinking the Coffee while I make a little profit on every pound.

I don't take much stock, though, in "bargains" unless they are dictionary bargains. Do you?

Blanke's Coffee would be a treat for Kings and Queens. The price is reasonable, 4 pounds for \$1.

"But," says somebody, "I can get coffee for 10 cents a pound."

Of course you can and you can get some land for 50 cents an acre. Cheap land and cheap coffee are alike—poor investment, and a mighty few people will buy either of them a second time.

Particular people will always find pure things to eat in my grocery. Just received evaporated fruit of all kinds and also a fine line of Kennedy Cakes.

Yours Truly,

S. M. White.

'Phone 26,

Keytesville, Missouri.

New Store Building.

Religious Notice.

The pastor, Rev. H. H. Johnson, will commence a series of revival services at Asbury chapel next Sunday morning, October 9, and will continue indefinitely. Every member is urged to be at the first service. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

The first quarterly conference will be held at Salisbury Saturday, October 8, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Republican Speaking.

Hon. C. P. Walbridge of St. Louis and Chas. C. Allen will address the voters of Salisbury township October 11 at 7:30 p. m., and at Brunswick October 12 at 1 o'clock p. m. Everybody is respectfully invited to come and hear the issues discussed.

Letter List

The following is a list of unclaimed letters in the Keytesville, Mo., post-office Oct. 7, 1904:

Ira Ewing, Mrs. Ellen Turner, Miss Emma Williams.

When calling for the above letters please say "advertised."

W. C. GASTON, P. M.

Strayed.

From my farm, 3 1-2 miles northeast of Keytesville, September 19, 1904, two heifer calves, one red and blocky and the other red and white spotted, weighing 350 and 400 pounds, respectively. Have you seen them?

WM. HIRSCH.

Mules for Sale.

I have eight head of coming 3-year old mules for sale, six of which are broken to work.

T. J. HANCOCK,
Keytesville, Mo.

Seed Rye.

I have a lot of seed rye for sale. Apply at Bank of Keytesville.

WM. E. HILL.

DEATH IN A WHEAT DRILL.

John H. Jennings of near Indian Grove the Victim—Believed Have Been an Accident.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST.

Word was received at Keytesville late Thursday afternoon of last week that John H. Jennings had been found dead in the road one-half mile west of his house, which is one mile south of Indian Grove.

Dr. B. Hughes, coroner, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff P. R. O'Bryan, went out to make an official inquiry into the cause of Mr. Jennings' death and to hold an inquest. Only two witnesses, Robt. W. Isle and Chas. Clair, were examined before the coroner's jury, composed of L. Joseph, foreman; F. C. Paulsen, R. K. Wright, A. B. Clark, Joshua Smutz and J. C. Bulck.

No one saw Mr. Jennings when he was killed and the details of the deplorable affair will never be known. He started from one field to another about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon with a team and wheat drill to drill some wheat, and it was on his way that he met his death. Whether the team took fright and in attempting to run away threw Mr. Jennings off the drill, or whether he was kicked by one of the horses or fell off the machine cannot be ascertained. About all that can be learned is through the testimony at the coroner's inquest.

Robt. W. Isle testified: "I live a mile west of the home of deceased; between 5 and 6 o'clock I was passing along the road, one-half mile west of here, and found the team and drill of John Jennings at the bridge; deceased was lying on the ground by the team where some friends had taken him from the wheel of the drill, his head having been wedged between the spokes of the drill wheel; his face was bruised, his hip cut and a hole punched in his back as if some sharp instrument had been the cause of it; the wound was situated over the region of the kidney and clear through the muscles of the back and ribs and into the inside of the body—certainly done by the drill hoe; he was dead when I first saw him, but the body was still warm; there was evidenced along the road to show that the team had run nearly one-half mile, that being the distance from the point where his hat was found and where the horses stopped on the bridge."

Chas. Clair testified: "I live one-half mile south of Indian Grove; between 5 and 6 o'clock this afternoon I happened to be coming along the road and approached the bridge where I found Mr. Jennings' team and wheat drill caught against the bridge; when I came up I saw his team and supposed Mr. Jennings was close by as I knew the team; I stopped and holloed two or three times, supposing he was close by, but as I received no answer I began to notice that the team was not tied and that the drill was against the bridge; I came to east side of the bridge and noticed the body, but could not say whether he was dead or alive; his head was fastened in the wheel and I supposed he was dead; I gave the alarm and some of the neighbors and Dr. Zillman came and found he was dead."

In addition to the injuries mentioned in Mr. Isles' evidence it was also found, on examination,

tion, that Mr. Jennings' neck was broken.

The coroner's jury returned the following verdict:

THE VERDICT.

"We, the jury, find that deceased came to his death by being caught in the wheel of a wheat drill, hitched or attached to a team, and we further agree that death was purely accidental."

No man in the entire neighborhood was more universally respected and beloved than was John H. Jennings, and his sudden death fell like a pall upon the community. He was a Christian gentleman and was true to every relation in life—a good neighbor, a kind and considerate husband and a model citizen, and was in the 53rd year of his age. He leaves a wife and an adopted daughter to mourn his death. He carried \$1,000 insurance in the Macca-bees for the benefit of Mrs. Jennings.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the family residence by Rev. J. D. Smith of Salisbury, after which the remains were turned over to the Maccabees tent at Indian Grove and laid to rest in Bethel cemetery with the rites of that order.

Cupid's Conquests.

HOGAN-DAVIS:—C. W. Hogan and Miss Cora Davis, both of near Salisbury, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Davis, Wednesday evening, September 28, 1904, Rev. J. F. Carter making the twain one.

BLAKE-ANDERSON:—Robt. N. Blake of Roanoke and Miss Maudie Anderson were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Anderson, near Salisbury, Wednesday, September 28, 1904, Rev. J. P. Rice of Salisbury sealing the plighted vows.

JOHNSON-WESTENKUEHLER:—W. H. Johnson and Miss Ida Westenkuehler, two young people of noble character from Salisbury, were married Wednesday, October 5, 1904, by Rev. C. H. Schackenberg of Dalton. The bridal couple, accompanied by J. S. King and Miss Ella Doerrie of Salisbury, drove to Dalton where a few particular friends awaited them to see the nuptial knot tied.

New Suits.

The following new suits for the November term of circuit at Keytesville have been filed with Circuit Clerk Z. T. Lamkin during the past week:

CIVIL CASES.

J. M. Null vs. Robt. Smith, equity.
Geo. M. Lester vs. Joseph Jacquot et al, suit to quiet title.
Fred Lamb vs. Northwestern Life Insurance Co., suit on policy.

Mattie J. Green vs. Thos. Green, divorce.

A. M. Tisdale et al vs. Marcellus Prather, equity.

R. D. Vincent of four miles north of Keytesville shipped in 214 head of sheep from Kansas City last week and drove them out to his farm. So sheep raising has now been added to Mr. Vincent's other duties as a farmer and stockman, but R. D. is a hustler and makes a success of whatever he undertakes.

Hocker & Brill have just received a carload of best Michigan salt.

Another Divorce Suit.

Mrs. Mattie J. Green of Salisbury has brought suit for a divorce from her husband, Thos. Green, at the ensuing November term of circuit court, alleging abusive and cruel treatment of herself and children as her cause of action as well as drunkenness and inconstancy on the part of defendant.

Plaintiff says in her petition that she was lawfully married to defendant in Chariton county October 18, 1888, and continued to live with him until September 3, 1904.

After setting forth in detail the ill treatment she received at the hands of defendant, the plaintiff asks the court to grant her a divorce, also the care and custody of the two children, Mamie, aged 14, and Pettis, aged 12, and that the court award her temporary alimony in such sum as will enable her to prosecute this suit and maintain herself and children; and that on final decree the court will award her alimony in gross in such sum as to the court may seem proper and just; and that the court will make an order restraining and enjoining defendant from selling or otherwise disposing of any part of his property until this suit is determined, etc.

The plaintiff states that defendant is possessed of real estate to the value of \$2,800 over and above all encumbrance thereon, and personal property to the amount of \$500, the accumulated joint earning of plaintiff and defendant.

Johnson & Johnson of Salisbury are Mrs. Green's attorneys.

The Famous Little Ones.

Hazel and Harry Shannon whose united ages do not reach one score are samples of children who have achieved more than the average measure of success on the stage, not as mere parrots who do and say things by rote, but because of their real ability to think and investigate, to weigh and decide for themselves. These little people, while under the care and supervision of their parents, really have cultivated minds, and are capable of conceiving and executing things that are worthy of those much older. For instance, at rehearsals Master Harry will stop and make radical changes in business or positions which will benefit the performance. He insists on very complete rehearsals, knowing not only his own lines but those of everyone else. In fact, he knows every word of the play, and is able to prompt any character in "The Banker's child," the splendid scenic comedy in which the Shannons are appearing this season. The managers of Russell opera-house at Brunswick take great pleasure in announcing their appearance at the opera-house for one night only, Friday, October 14.

S. O. Hays of Bosworth was in Keytesville yesterday exhibiting a model of Hays road-grader, scraper and ditcher of which he is patentee. The machine does everything Mr. Hays claims for it and is one of the best things of the kind on the market.

C. C. Ward, a son of Mrs. M. A. Ward of Keytesville, orders the COURIER sent to him at Beaumont, Tex., where he has a position with the Southern Pacific railroad. What time he isn't railroad he spends fighting mosquitoes.

Will of A. R. Atherton.

The will of the late A. R. Atherton, who moved to the vicinity of Rothville, this county, from Iowa six or seven months since, was admitted to probate Friday, September 30, 1904, and reads as follows:

"I, Archer R. Atherton, being of sound mind and not influenced by anyone, do hereby give and bequeath all the worldly possessions that I now have or may be possessed with at the time of my death, after the payment of my just debts, to-wit:

"I will and bequeath to Charles Elmer, related to me as son, the sum of \$5; I will and bequeath to William Lewis, related to me as son, the sum of \$5; I will and bequeath to my daughter, Leah, the sum of \$5; to my daughter, Cecil Matilda, the sum of \$5; I will and bequeath to my son, Arthur Harold, the sum of \$5:

"I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Anna M. Atherton, all my earthly possessions I now have or may be seized with at the time of my death, except as heretofore specified.

"And I further appoint my beloved wife, Anna M. Atherton, executrix without bond.

I further declare this to be my last will and testament, revoking any will that may have heretofore been made."

The will was written August 29, 1904, and the signature of the testator thereto was witnessed by U. G. Buck and P. S. Jackson.

Dr. A. C. Johnson of New Murdock, Kas., who, accompanied by his family, attended the world's fair and visited old Chariton county friends and relatives, sends us \$1 to pay his subscription to the COURIER and adds: "We arrived home all right the following evening after leaving Keytesville. Found everything moving along nicely at home. We are having nice weather in Kansas at present. Farmers are busy seeding. Quite a lot of wheat to be threshed yet. We enjoyed our visit in old Chariton so much. Only wish it was so we could make our visits oftener as Chariton county still seems like home. Best wishes for yourself and old friends."

Misses Sallie Scott Hill and sister, Miss Helen, attended the world's fair last week with their sisters, Mesdames Keith and Hundley. Miss Sallie left Monday for Miss Somers' seminary at Washington, D. C., where she will be a senior this year, while Miss Helen will attend Miss Barstow's school at Kansas City.

Col. Wm. J. Bryan, the great Democratic orator and statesman, is billed for a speech at Chillicothe next Monday at 1:30 o'clock p. m. Chariton county will be largely represented at the speaking.

Master Billy Keith and Little Miss Eustis Hundley are here visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Hill, while the mothers of the youngsters are attending the world's fair and are guests of Mrs. Moss at the Missouri state building.

Mrs. John Taylor of two miles northeast of Keytesville has been very ill, but is now convalescing, notwithstanding her advanced age. Her sister, Mrs. Phoebe Hurt of Moberly, is in attendance at Mrs. Taylor's bedside.

I have buyers for Missouri farms. If you want to sell, list with me or write for particulars. HORACE GRANT, Heist Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

Probate Pointers.

Allowances: W. M. Drew, \$5.60 against estate of Legrand Wisdom.

Est. Jessie A. Seneker: Nancy C. Seneker, guardian and curator, presents receipt showing payment in full of balance due ward on final settlement, and guardian and curator is discharged.

Est. heirs A. R. Atherton: On application of Anna M. Atherton, it is ordered that she be and is appointed guardian and curator of Charles Elmer, William Lewis, Leah May, Cecil Matilda and Arthur Harold Atherton, minor heirs of A. R. Atherton, deceased. Bond in the sum of \$2,000 approved with U. G. Buck and J. B. Powell as securities.

Est. heirs Louisa F. Hackley: G. W. Hackley, guardian and curator, presents petition for the sale of the interests of wards in 90 acres, n p n h f se 36, and e h f nw 36, and se sw 25, all in 52-18. Cause heard, and sale found necessary for the support and education of wards, and sale is ordered, public or private, guardian and curator to make report of sale to this court.

Est. A. R. Atherton: A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of A. R. Atherton, deceased, is admitted to probate on the testimony of U. G. Buck and P. S. Jackson as subscribing witnesses. Anna M. Atherton, the widow of said A. R. Atherton, is named in the will as executrix without bond, and is so appointed by the court. P. S. Jackson and P. P. Carmichael are appointed as witnesses to make inventory.

Est. Mahala Hatfield: E. A. Hatfield shows to the court that he is the widower of said Mahala Hatfield, and as such widower is entitled to personal property, belonging to said Mahala Hatfield's estate, as will not exceed the sum of \$400, his absolute statutory allowance as such widower. Said estate being fully represented by O. P. Ray, the administrator thereof, who is personally present in court, and the matter having been fully heard and considered, it is ordered and adjudged by the court that said E. A. Hatfield, as the widower of said Mahala Hatfield, has right to absolute allowance of so much of the personal assets and property, of which said Mahala Hatfield died seized, as shall not exceed the sum of \$400.

Elbert Hall of Bunceton, Cooper county, who bought Thrash Bros' butcher shop in Keytesville last spring, sold out Monday to C. P. Thrash, the junior member of the old firm of Thrash Bros.

Mrs. Fred W. Smith of Lawton, Okla., is the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cunningham of this city. Mr. Smith will meet his wife here and they will attend the world's fair before returning home.

Marriage Licenses.

Fred Kothe..... Forest Green
Miss Sophia Sauter..... Salisbury
B. E. Tolson..... Monequa, Ill.
Miss Donna B. Bramlett..... Brunswick
John F. Feaker..... Dalton
Miss Amanda C. Henning..... Dalton
P. C. Mauley..... Brunswick
Miss Lula May Shackelford..... Brunswick
Gordon Dotson..... Keytesville
Miss Ethel Raberson..... Keytesville
Edward Fesler..... Keytesville
Miss Thersia Nordman..... Wien

Now is the time to buy trimmed hats for little money.

MRS. C. P. VANDIVER.